Troopers Investigate Shooting Outside Rehoboth Area Establishment

Rehoboth Beach — Delaware State Police are investigating a shooting incident that occurred shortly after midnight outside The Pond Bar and Grill.

On November 21, 2021, at approximately 12:06 a.m., troopers responded to The Pond Bar and Grill, located at 19266 Coastal Highway, for a report of subjects fighting in the parking lot. Within two minutes, Sussex County Emergency Operations Center (9-1-1) updated the responding troopers that shots were fired. Upon their arrival, it was determined one male victim had been shot during the ruckus, but had already left the area in a privately owned vehicle and traveled to Beebe Medical Center for a gunshot wound to his leg. The wound is considered to be non-life-threatening. No other victims were located at the scene.

A search of the crime scene was conducted and 32 shell casings were located in the parking lot. Two vehicles were struck as well as the front window of the bar. It was later determined that a round struck a second floor room in the Comfort Innnext door.

At approximately 12:24 a.m. another call was received by the Emergency Operations Center advising there were shots fired at the Wawa located at 35436 Wolfe Neck Road, Rehoboth. In this incident, there were no reported victims of the gunfire and several empty shell casings were located outside the business in the parking lot.

Due to the short time frame between the two incidents, it is assumed that the shootings may be linked.

There are no surveillance photographs or suspect information available.

These incidents remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 4 Criminal Investigation Unit. Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact Detective A. Bluto by calling 302-752-3864. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1–800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.

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